

Amendments to the Abstract

Please **amend** the Abstract to read.

-- A wireless Local Area Network (LAN 11) capable of providing “enterprise guest” hosting includes at least one an e-open wireless LAN access point (15) that provides access to both guests (~~12~~) and local users (~~14~~). Upon receipt of a request for access, the access point forwards the request to an authentication proxy (~~21~~). The authentication proxy then authenticates the party requesting access in accordance with that party’s status (that is, whether the party is a local user or guest). Upon successful authentication, the network routes the traffic from a local user differently as compared to that for a guest. For example traffic from guests goes to gateway for receipt in an external network such as the Internet (~~19~~), whereas traffic from the local user goes to a local network, e.g., a corporate intranet ~~16~~. In this way, the Wireless LAN 11, after ascertaining the status of the party requesting access, can limit guest traffic according to the guest access policy.--